

## BOOK REVIEWS

**A Manual of Gynecology.** By John Osborn Polak. 2nd ed. thoroughly revised. 396 pp. Illustrated. Philadelphia and New York; Lea Febiger. 1922. Price \$4.50.

The second edition of this publication has just appeared. It has been brought up to date. While the manual is very concise, one can not help but feel that at times its purpose has been overstepped and a textbook has been approached.

For quick reference this book is invaluable for the general practitioner. It is not a book for students unless used in conjunction with a textbook. For a busy practitioner this little book will form an asset to the office desk library.

The illustrations are excellent, the text is clear, and well organized, and the language is easily readable. L. A. E.

**A Textbook of Gynecology.** By Jas. Young. 334 pp. Illustrated. New York: The Macmillan Company. 1921. Price \$2.75.

This small book of 334 pages is written primarily for students. Covering, as it does, so many phases of the subject within a restricted space, many of the topics are necessarily very briefly considered; nevertheless, many of the more important aspects of the subject are adequately dealt with from the student's point of view, emphasis having been made particularly upon physiology and pathology.

The work is profusely illustrated with good drawings, and the general make-up of the book is good. A. J. L.

**Diseases of the Ear, Nose, and Throat.** By Wendell C. Phillips, M. D. 6th ed., 881 pages. Illustrated. Philadelphia: F. A. Davis Company. 1922. Price \$8.00.

The sixth edition of this book is a distinct improvement on the former editions of this excellent work. The deletion of obsolete operations removes one source of confusion to the student, to whose use the book is dedicated. The chapters on suspension laryngoscopy and bronchoscopy have been brought up to date. Of especial excellence is the section on the influence of general diseases upon the ear, nose, and throat. Altogether, it is the most satisfactory and complete textbook for students and general practitioners. H. McN.

**Textbook of Anatomy and Physiology.** For training schools and other educational institutions. By Elizabeth R. Bundy. Fifth edition revised and enlarged by Martha Tracy, and Grace Watson. 442 pages. Illustrated. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston Son & Co. 1923. \$2.50.

This is a good book covering what is necessary for a nurse to know about the various systems and organs of the body. The scheme of discussing anatomy and physiology side by side makes the book compact and yet fairly comprehensive. It is illustrated with clear diagrams. L. E.

**Legal Medicine and Toxicology.** By many specialists. Edited by Frederick Peterson, M. D., Walter Haines, M. D., and Ralph W. Webster, M. D. Second edition. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1923. Cloth, \$20 net.

The second edition of this much-used and authoritative work of Peterson, Haines and Webster will be welcomed by every physician and other person interested in legal medicine. The second edition maintains the high standard set by the first;

the revision is well and carefully done; the press work is good, and it is a pleasure to recommend the book. W. E. M.

**Diseases of the Rectum, Anus, and Colon.** By Samuel Goodwin Gant, M. D. In three volumes, including the ileocolic angle, appendix, colon, sigmoid flexure, rectum, anus, buttocks, and sacrococcygeal region, and containing 1128 illustrations. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company.

Dr. Gant has rendered modern medicine a service in embodying his mature experience in a three-volume discussion of diseases of the rectum and colon. Painstaking, careful study, with that wise discrimination only possible to the master of a subject, stand out prominently in these books.

W. E. M.

## BOOKS RECEIVED

**Non-Surgical Drainage of the Gall Tract.** A treatise concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of certain diseases of the biliary and allied systems in their relation to gastro-enterology and general clinical medicine. By B. B. Vincent Lyon, M. D., chief of clinic, gastro-intestinal department of the Jefferson Hospital; associate in medicine in Jefferson Medical College. Illustrated with 175 engravings and ten colored plates. Lea & Febiger, Philadelphia and New York. 1923.

**Practical Local Anesthesia and Its Surgical Technique.** By Robert Emmett Farr, M. D., Minneapolis. Illustrated with 219 engravings and 16 plates. Lea & Febiger, Philadelphia and New York. 1923.

**Diseases of the Nervous System.** A text-book of neurology and psychiatry. By Smith Ely Jelliffe, M. D., formerly professor of psychiatry, Fordham University, New York, and formerly adjunct professor of diseases of the mind and nervous system, New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital, and William A. White, M. D., superintendent of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D. C.; professor of nervous and mental diseases, George Washington University, and lecturer on psychiatry, U. S. Army and U. S. Navy Medical Schools. Fourth edition, revised, rewritten, and enlarged. Illustrated with 475 engravings and thirteen plates. Lea & Febiger, Philadelphia and New York. 1923.

**Transactions of the American Proctologic Society,** Twenty-Third Annual Session, held at St. Louis, May 22 and 23, 1922. New York: Paul B. Hoeber. 1923.

**Environment and Resistance in Tuberculosis.** A presentation of the nature of environment and resistance and their relation to the pathology, diagnosis, symptoms, and treatment of tuberculosis. By Allen K. Krause, M. D., associate professor in medicine, Johns Hopkins University. Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins Company. 1923.

**Nursery Guide for Mothers and Nurses.** By Louis W. Sauer, M. D., senior attending pediatrician, Evanston Hospital; formerly attending physician Chicago Infant Welfare, and assistant attending physician Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago. Illustrated. St. Louis: C. V. Mosby Company. 1923.

**Legal Medicine and Toxicology.** By many specialists. Edited by Frederick Peterson, M. D., manager Craig Colony for Epileptics; Walter S. Haines, M. D., late professor of chemistry; materia medica and toxicology, Rush Medical College; and Ralph W. Webster, M. D., assistant professor of